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Invention: INSTRUMENTATION FOR PROPERLY SEATING AN ARTIFICIAL DISC IN AN INTERVERTEBRAL SPACE

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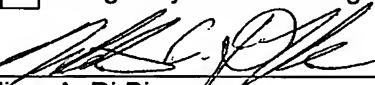
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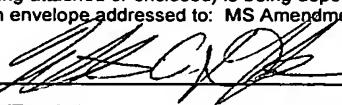
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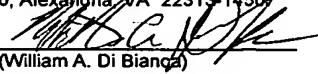
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**AMENDMENT**

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed September 23, 2008, Applicants submit the following amendments and remarks.